

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 33, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Test method: 5-week-old male ddy mice (Japan SLC, Inc.) (~~Japan LLC, Inc.~~) were divided into the following three groups (9 mice per group) and subjected to a test.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Test method: 5-week-old male ddy mice (Japan SLC, Inc.) (~~Japan LLC, Inc.~~) were divided into the following four groups (9 mice per group) and subjected to a test. Under pentobarbital anesthesia and without craniotomy, a needle of a microsyringe was punctured through the head skin into the striatum of the right brain, and 1  $\mu$ L of 6-hydroxydopamine (6-OHDA, Sigma Co., 11.5  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L) dissolved in physiological saline containing 0.05% ascorbic acid was injected.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Test method: 7-week-old male Wistar rats (Japan SLC, Inc.) (~~Japan SMC, Inc.~~) were divided into the following three groups (12-17 rats per group) and subjected to a test. Pentobarbital sodium (DAINIPPON Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., 35 mg/kg) was intraperitoneally injected to the rats, median incision was applied to the back, and paraspinal muscle was bluntly detached. After laminectomy of the 12<sup>th</sup> thoracic vertebra, the left spinal cord was cut at the same position with a sharp cutting tool. After 5 hr from the cutting, the rats confirmed to have anesthetic disorder in the left hind paw were subjected to the

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following test.